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WRITTEN EXPRESSION	 Develops experiences or events using effective techniques, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences. Develops clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. Is developed with effective narrative techniques and creates an effective progression of experiences or events. Includes a well-developed thematic or topical link to the sources which enhances the narrative. Uses precise words, telling details, and sensory language to convey a clear and vivid depiction of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters. 	 Develops experiences or events using mostly effective techniques, details, and structured event sequences. Develops mostly clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are mostly appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. Is developed with appropriate narrative techniques and creates a mostly effective progression of experiences or events. Includes a thematic or topical link to the sources which supports the narrative. Uses words, telling details, and sensory language to convey a mostly clear and logical depiction of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters. 	 Develops experiences or events using somewhat effective techniques, details, and event sequences. Develops somewhat clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are somewhat appropriate to the task purpose, and audience. Is developed with somewhat appropriate narrative techniques and creates a somewhat coherent progression of experiences or events. Includes a somewhat developed thematic or topical link to the sources which somewhat supports the narrative. Uses somewhat effective details and language to convey a basic and somewhat logical depiction of experiences, events, setting, and/or characters. 	 Develops limited experiences or events using minimally effective techniques, details, and event sequences. Develops minimally coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are minimally appropriate to the task, purpose, and audience. Is minimally developed with narrative techniques and is limited in its progression of experiences or events. Includes a minimally effective thematic or topical link to the sources which limits the narrative. Uses limited details and language in an attempt to convey experiences, events, setting, and/or characters. 	 Uses undeveloped experiences or events with missing or inaccurate techniques, details and events. Lacks coherent writing, organization, and style for the task, purpose, and audience. Is undeveloped and/or inappropriate; is missing narrative elements and is undeveloped in its progression of experiences or events. Lacks a thematic or topical link to the sources, or the link is inappropriate or inaccurate. Lacks details, uses inappropriate language, and does not convey experiences, events, setting, and/or characters.
WRITTEN CONVENTIONS		The response demonstrates a full command of conventions of standard English at the appropriate level of complexity. A variety of sentences are wellformed and effectively controlled. Grammar is strong and effective, enhancing the content of the response. Spelling, punctuation, and capitalization are mostly correct.	The response demonstrates a partial command of conventions of standard English at the appropriate level of complexity. Sentences are somewhat controlled, and there is an attempt at sentence variety. Command of usage and grammar is uneven. Errors in spelling, punctuation, and capitalization may occasionally impede understanding, but the meaning is generally clear.	The response demonstrates little command of conventions of standard English at the appropriate level of complexity. Sentence variety and control are limited. Errors in grammar and usage are frequent and impede understanding. Spelling, punctuation, and capitalization are limited.	The response to the prompt does not demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English at the appropriate level of complexity. There is no evidence of sentence variety or control. Frequent and varied errors in mechanics, grammar, and usage severely impede understanding.

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